

The "Death" of J.J. Johnson

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You might have read my article ["California: War Syndrome"](#). Keep that in mind while you read this next article. Guess what I found out? I really do have enemies out there and they play **HARDBALL**. I, J.J. Johnson have been effectively "killed". I am now "dead".

Yes, Nancy and I get called feds, informants, etc. But what happened to me yesterday should take care of those rumors. Let me explain.

On Monday Sep. 8, I flew out to LA to be part of a "well balanced" panel discussion about "hate groups" at the Simon Wiesenthal Center- Museum of Tolerance, in Los Angeles. The distinguished guests (with titles listed) were as follows:

Moderator: Rabbi Abraham Cooper, Associate Dean, Simon Wiesenthal Center
Mark Potok- Southern Poverty Law Center
Jerry Anderson- Senior Equal Opportunity Manager, Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense. Basically, he monitors extremist groups for the Pentagon (Don't ask)
J.J. Johnson - Former Head of the Ohio Militia
Richard Abanes - Author, American Militias
Raphael Ezekiel, Harvard School of Public Health

All lined up neatly on center stage from left to right.

5 against 1. Pretty even, huh?

Anyway, we were all given 5 to 10 minutes to open up with our own monologue going from left to right. Yes, the SPLC gave their typical stuff, starting with the infamous "secret" meeting in Estes Park, Colorado and ending in Oklahoma City, making sure to mention every militia arrest from Georgia to West Virginia and all in between. Of course, he made sure he didn't accuse the militia of being racist. Not on the same stage with the former Ohio guy. Smart move on his part. But of course, we're still the most dangerous thing to ever hit America since free speech. All of us.

NOTE: BTW, the SPLC said somebody tried to blow up their headquarters in AL. When did that happen, guys??

Now, I'm not bragging here, as you will soon see.

I thought I opened up okay. While the first two men all but bored everyone to sleep with opening speeches over 10 minutes with tons of notes, my presentation was 5 minutes exact, no notes, no charts, graphs, or any cheap book to promote. Just told the truth. Took a pretty good stab at WV Sen. Byrd (Ex KKK Grand Dragon). I told them, "Yes. I may have addressed a group where there was a white supremacist in attendance. I also addressed the U.S. Senate who has a member who is an ex-KKK Grand Dragon, but I don't call the U.S. Senate a hate group. So they shouldn't call the entire militia a hate group". Yeah, I know...Cheap shot. But this is "life" in the trenches, folks.

I thought my strategy of showing how the militia movement got treated like "paparazzi's" are today was pretty timely. While they were all talking about "collective measures" to stop hate crimes, I said "The Militia movement was created because too many people want to use 'collective measures' to stop hate crimes by taking away the means for the individual to defend against any crime...."My fiancé is Jewish. I'm Black. No neo-Nazi will burn a cross in my front lawn. They know I have a deterrent in my house to prevent those types of actions..." (That didn't sell)

Anyway, you get the drift.

I also mentioned that certain people back in the 1930s in a European country (who sounded like militia people of today) were also called conspiracy theorists, criminals, and everything other than human and that they lost their rights and ended up in gas chambers. That didn't sell, either.

As a black man, I surprisingly found myself being annoyed at what seemed to be a overt act of "white Christian male bashing" going on. Of course, I couldn't say that (hate crimes, remember?). But I did say that it seems whenever a bunch of people get together with guns, they're called a "militia", unless they're black. Then they're called a "gang". Who's the racist?

Yeah, right. They got a laugh out of that, too.

Then... I was blind-sided. **BIG TIME.**

I was expecting the hits to come from the SPLC guy. But like "Mark from Michigan" always said, "when you're watching the right hand, look out for the left hook."

I got it-right in the chin, and boy, did it sting...

The next guy got up (Richard Abanes), and proceed to state that he was at that Granada Forum meeting (in LA) last Thursday where I spoke. He then when on to "sound bite" my presentations of last Thursday. Check out what I said (according to him):

1. Carl Drega of New Hampshire should have a street name after him. (see "NH: Things that go Boom !!")
2. We should go out and get personal information on federal law enforcement and put it on the internet.
3. We can't shoot them because ammo is too expensive.

Not good. Especially when the ADL, SPLC, a bunch of LA local news networks and about 95 of the 200 in the audience were California Law Enforcement. (gulp) I found that out when they raise their hands to be counted, earlier.

Now, it's about 150 against 1. (Ouch)

Did I say these things? Of course. Did he take what I said out of context? Does it really make a difference? Let me show you what he did by saying what he didn't say.

1. Carl Drega of New Hampshire should have a street named after him.

IT WAS A JOKE FOLKS! Everyone in the Granada Forum meeting knew it. I was using that case to show people how bad it's gotten.

2. We should go out and get personal information of federal law enforcement. You know photos, phone numbers, home addresses, credit card info, etc. and placing them on the INTERNET.

Yeah, What's new? I've said that in my last 6 presentations. Heck, I even said the at the Steps of the Lincoln Memorial in Washington. Many of you have heard that speech before. That's why it's called "Using the First Amendment as a First Strike Weapon". I never said go shoot them. BTW, you should have seen the look on those officers' faces when that information got out. Half were scared to death, the other half wanted me dead.

3. We can't shoot them because ammo is too expensive.

-My next statement was "we can't shoot them because it's murder, and we're not murderers". Of course he never mentioned that.

Needless to say, the debate went from "hate groups" to "hate J.J.", followed by ALL the media (including the Associated Press taking photos) wanting to know from me, "do all militia groups plan on gathering personal info on police and killing them later?" I gotta tell ya, if looks could kill...

That's right, folks. I had a bad hair day.

Well, at least they can't call us racists. :)

What ticked me off the most is that I spent more than half of my Granda Forum presentation distancing the militia movement from neo-Nazi's and white supremacists, and giving the movement some peaceful common sense ideas, showing them what works, and what doesn't. In fact, I gave virtually the same presentation. Heck, even the Rabbi agreed with on some things that I said. He mentions that he had a shotgun in his car when he started a civil rights organization in the 60s somewhere in Dixie to protect him from the Klan. See, his gun help prevent a "hate crime"! (That didn't go over well, either)

Like I said, these boys played HARDBALL. And I was dealing with a hard wall.

Guess who just got moved up a notch on the fed's most hated list?

Richard Abanes did his homework. He even showed the audience that he had a tape of the event, just in case I would deny it. Why should I?

He also told the audience that I even addressed the feds at the Granda Forum saying, "I'm no longer concerned about getting on your list. I'm now putting you on my list." Yep. He's right again. I'm guilty.

There were a few other comments of mine that he took out of context, but he scored major points via "sound bites". I now know how Evander Holyfield felt after his last Las Vegas fight with Tyson.

Okay, I was forced to eat crow. I didn't deny saying any of it. And I humbly apologized for the Carl Drega comment. It was after all, a tasteless joke.

What really, really, really made them mad was that I *would not* apologize for anything else. I stated that taking photos of oppressors serves as a **DETERRENT** against unconstitutional activity. They didn't want to hear that, but so what. I wasn't there to satisfy their appetites.

I shook Abanes' hand afterwards, congratulating him for a good left hook. He told me the he knew I wasn't advocating violence at that Patriot meeting. In fact, he's even waiting on Janet Reno to face charges for what happened at Waco, also. But I since I am a "well respected person of the militia movement" (his words), I should always be concerned, he said, about what kind of "nuts" could be in those meetings. He was right. After all, he was there.

I flew back to Vegas beaten, bloody, and bruised. I contemplated getting somewhat pixelated. I just hate that feeling the next morning. The militia movement can now smile. The California police and federal law enforcement hate me more than they do, now... and they're not racists anymore. Hopefully, the title of "Former Militia Leader" would at least spare the rest of the movement.

The California War Syndrome had come home to roost, and the SPLC/ADL now have something on J.J. they can put in their files.

Then later, after talking with Nancy and a few other friends to fight off my depression, I began to realize something:

- Richard Abanes WAS at that meeting.
- He KNEW who I was and knew what I was for and what I was against, even before that meeting.
- He admitted hearing my speeches before. He even knew my positions on certain issues. Richard Abanes knew all about me.
- They had numerous chances to use those statements against me in the past, but choose to do so here.
- He KNEW full well, and all but admitted later that he deliberately took my statements out of context.
- They ALL knew it!

And what was most important, no one hardly talked about hate groups or hate crimes after I spoke. They were busy bashing J.J. Johnson into a pulp. I was merely a human punching bag for them because they CAN'T debate the real issues with their opponents face to face. "Carpet bombing" me was just the diversion.

WELL FINE !!!!!

Since I know some of you attendees at that panel discussion are reading this...

READ THIS:

First of all, I heard it cost about \$75 per head to attend. Most of you California cops probably got in for free. I'm sure it was "education seminar" for you. Well, I hope you got a good education. Sorry I didn't recognize you without your jackboots and black hoods. But now, since I'm already dead,

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YOU WIN ! Go ahead. Beat on all of us. Lie all you want. We'll be good little Amerikans, and obey all your laws. We won't even complain. It was your news that talked about an alarming rate of citizens shooting at law enforcement in southern Cal. I noticed they didn't mention the word "militia"!

You've shoved NAFTA, GATT, the Crime Bill, the Anti-terrorism Bill, the Assault Weapon Ban, the Brady Bill, and a bunch of other national-socialist (NAZI) crap down our throats! You blame us for OKC, the Amtrak derailment, the Olympic Park Bombing, and about every other thing that goes wrong in the world! I'm surprised you haven't blamed the death of Diana Spencer on us too!! (Or did I speak too soon?) Now, our benevolent FBI director gets lauded by the U.S. Senate for calling 72% of the U.S. population domestic terrorists??? My God! There's no reason to go off halfcocked and start shooting, is there? THAT'S WHY WE HAVE POSTAL WORKERS!!!

Don't worry! WE WON'T BREAK ANY OF YOUR LAWS!!! EVEN THOUGH THERE ARE BLACK SUITED, ARMOR WEARING, STATE SPONSORED TERRORISTS DOING IT EVERY DAY !!!!

Yes, Queen Elizabeth Clinton. We'll be just like all those poor faces I saw along the walls at the Simon Wiesenthal Center- Museum of Tolerance (Anne Frank, et al.). We'll obey the law...all the way to the gas chambers. Don't push! We'll just walk in!

Like Patty Neill says, "[Squeeze baby, Squeeze.](#)" "[Squeeze harder](#)". Until our eyeballs pop out of their sockets. Shoot our wives in cold blood while they're holding their babies. Shoot our young sons in the back. Attack us in church on Sunday mornings. Sodomize us in prisons. Poison our troops. Ban our books ! Burn us alive! Tax us into submission. Blow up our federal buildings! Shoot down our airplanes! Derail our trains! De-value our money! Take our encryption keys. Take our guns. Please! Take our land. Sell our country to the Asians. Lie to us. Lie some more! Kill all of us, dammit! Do it for the children. C'mon, baby! You can squeeze harder than that!! We won't show any resistance. We won't put up a fight!! I promise!

What the hell do we know about the Constitution anyway? It was only printed in English. Since that isn't the official language around here, we'll just let the Southern Poverty Law Center, and ACLU, and the Anti-defamation League and every other "enlightened scholar" figure it out for us.

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Just make sure that Janet Reno gets her "peace" award and all her KILLERS get medals and promotions.

And ...After you KILL all the constitutionalists and anybody else who wants to be free (sounded to me like that's what you boys have in mind), then someone can build another memorial for those of us who didn't resist! Alas, another "Museum of Tolerance".

Wake me up when the smoke clears...

Look for my obituary coming soon...

...on a post office wall near you.

-- J.J. Johnson

May he rest in pieces.

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